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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT FORD'S INTERVIEW WITH HELEN THOMAS

1. PRESIDENT ASAD'S POLITICAL ADVISER, DAOUDI, HAS CALLED
MY ATTENTION TO INTERVIEW PRESIDENT FORD REPORTEDLY GAVE
CORRESPONDENT HELEN THOMAS ON OR ABOUT DECEMBER 28. (EMBASSY
BEIRUT SAYS ARABIC DAILY AN NAHAR CARRIED PARTIAL TEXT OF INTER-
VIEW ON DECEMBER 29.) DAOUDI ASKED IF I HAD SEEN TEXT OF
INTERVIEW AND REMARKED THAT PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS ON
RECONVENING OF GENEVA CONFERENCE INDICATED HARDENING U.S.
POSITION. I HAVE NO TEXT OF THIS INTERVIEW.

2. REQUEST DEPARTMENT CABLE IMMEDIATELY TEXT OF PORTION
OF INTERVIEW CONCERNING GENEVA CONFERENCE AND OTHER
SECTIONS DEPARTMENT BELIEVES USEFUL IN MY FURTHER
DISCUSSIONS WITH DAOUDI.

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